

## High School Christmas Concert Set Friday Night

The Torrance High school department of music will present the second annual Christmas program, December 14.

The event, featuring over 200 singers and instrumentalists of the Tartar Choir, Concert Band and Girls' Glee club, is one of the highlights of the Christmas season in the Torrance area. The event is free and open to the public.

The High School Concert Band will prelude the program with a group of familiar Christmas carols starting at 8 p.m. The band will open with the traditional "Beautiful Savior," of F. Melius Christiansen, and also provide the accompaniment for the combined mass choir

selections of "White Christmas," "Angels We Have Heard on High," "Bring a Torch," "What Child is This," and Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus" from the "Messiah."

All of the color and tradition of the Yuletide season will be ushered in when 150 singers of the Tartar choir and Girls' Glee club open the carol portion of the program with a colorful Christmas procession.

gram the Choir and Glee Club will present special groups of English, French, and American Christmas songs and traditional carols. As a climax to the concert, the groups will present combined Christmas selections.

The music department singled out the artistic contribution of art associate, Gary Parton, whose decorations added so much to the musical programs of last season. Parton has planned an exciting Christmas motif.

The foyer of the auditorium will be the setting for a display of student art on the Christmas theme. The display opened Monday, December 10, and will remain through Friday night. The student-executed art will consist of oils, water colors, tempera and mobiles, and will

## Specialist In Germany

Army Specialist Second Class Carl J. Armagost, son of Mrs. Hannah M. Armagost, 1517 W. 224th st., recently participated in "Sabre Knot," a field training exercise with the V Corps' 317th Engineer battalion in Germany.

Specialist Armagost entered the Army in October 1954 and is assigned to the battalion's Headquarters and Service company.

be the first art display of the year.

## Civic Symphony To Present Colorful Yule Pantomime

Tickets are now available for the Christmas pantomime based on the story and music of "Hansel and Gretel" to be presented by the South Bay Civic Symphony at Redondo High School auditorium, December 28 and 29. Elyse Aehle will conduct.

Among the cast, which numbers over 200, will be Hansel, Gretel, Mother, Father, the Sand-man, the Dawn-Fairy, angels, pixies, dwarfs, trees, bushes and vegetables that come alive, birds and animals, witches, and the ginger-bread children who will dance to the well-known music from Humperdinck's opera.

The theme of the Pantomime is, "God will always send help, when-ever His children ask for it."

Of particular interest to adults will be the talented cast which includes Marilyn Niska,

## CITY OF HOPE BENEFITS FROM CONCERT HERE

On Friday, December 7, the Beach Cities Symphony association presented a well-balanced and entertaining concert as a benefit for the City of Hope at the Torrance high school auditorium.

### Well-Balanced

Under the able direction of Louis Palange, conductor, the 60 musicians combined their amateur and professional talents adequately. The program ranged from Kabalevsky's short and playful Gallop from the "Comedienes" to the sensual ope poem, Prelude and Love Death from Wagner's "Tristan and Isolde." Mr. Palange composed the score for the movie "Dark Venture," and other motion pictures and is also a talented instrumentalist (bassoon and clarinet).

Highlighting the program was guest pianist, Dale Reubart, playing Grieg's first composition for the piano and orchestra, "Concerto in A Minor." Reubart, who is on the music faculty at USC and a local music instructor, played the happy but difficult work with definite authority.

The personal and nationalistic flavor of the Norwegian composer was clearly brought out during the exuberant first movement, followed by the lyrical second movement and the final brilliant and colorful folk festival in the closing section. The appreciative audience called him back for an encore and he played the highly technical and dexterous "Rondo Capricioso" by Mendelssohn.

Wagner's Prelude and Love Death, a perfect expression of love among the arts, was masterfully presented and conducted. The theme of love after death is something we can only imagine. Fortunately through music such expressive ideas are conveyed where words become meaningless.

### Timely Selections

Appropriately selected was Rogers, "Victory at Sea," background music for the documentary film of the same name, which recalled that fateful day in December, 1941, and Tchaikovsky's "Nutcracker Suite," a



CONDUCTOR

Louis Palange, noted composer, conductor and instrumentalist, conducted the Beach Cities Symphony association concert, Friday, December 7, at the Torrance high school auditorium. Proceeds went to the City of Hope, Duarte, California.

perennial favorite around Christmas time.

Finally, the escapades of a group of itinerant comedians was brought to light as the orchestra joyfully played the Gallop from Kabalevsky's "Comedians." The lively composition, enjoyed by the musicians and audience alike, was another indication of the orchestra's versatility.

The Beach Cities Symphony has been organized for six years and currently rehearses at the Mira Costa high school, in Manhattan Beach. Interested and capable musicians are always welcome to join and contribute their talents to this well organized and ambitious group.

- D. P.

# HURRY FOR OUR SLEIGHFUL OF Christmas Values!

## LOW PRICES!

DOORS OPEN MONDAY 9:30 A.M.

Ladies' FAMOUS MAKER BULKY KNIT SWEATERS \$14.95 VALUE **8.90**

Ladies' WOOL SKIRTS All New Shades. Values To \$10.98. NOW ONLY **\$5.88**

Ladies' Fur Blend Sweaters New fall shades, cardigans, slip-ons. Short and long sleeves. One Group—Values to 12.95. NOW ONLY **\$3.88**

LADIES' ALL WOOL SHORTIE COATS It's most unusual to find them at this low, low price. Many fabrics and styles... Hurry while they last. ONE GROUP Values to \$25.00 SALE PRICE **\$9.00**

LADIES' LACE TRIMMED NYLON FULL SLIPS Famous Make **\$2.88**

LADIES' FLANNEL PAJAMAS & GOWNS Full Cut Sanforized. Sizes 34 to 40 **\$2.88**

LADIES' NYLON GOWNS Tailored and Lace Trim **\$2.88 up**

LADIES' NEW FALL CORDUROY CAPRIS Full cut for the season ahead. All fall shades. ONE GROUP—Values to \$5.95. SALE PRICE **\$2.97**

LADIES' BETTER SWEATERS Luxurious orlons, wools in an array of colors... cardigans, slipovers, long and short sleeves many matching, some novelties. ONE GROUP—Values to \$10.95. SALE PRICE **\$2.97**

LADIES' BETTER BLOUSES An outstanding selection of famous brands in nylons, cottons, crepes. Tailored ad fancy styles. Sizes 32 to 3. ONE GROUP—Values to \$5.95. SALE PRICE **\$1.77**

GIRLS' NYLON TRICOT PANTIES Sizes 2 to 14 **33c**

SHOES Ladies', Men's, Children's FAMOUS BRANDS. **1/2 PRICE**

Ladies' COATS 100% WOOL FULL LENGTH, Vals. to \$39.95 **\$15.00**

ALL WOOL BETTER COATS, Vals. to \$59.95 **\$28.00**

ALL WOOL BETTER COATS, Vals. to \$59.95 **\$24.00**

TOTS' FLANNEL PJs Solid colors and prints. Some with feet. Sizes 1 to 6. ONE GROUP—SALE PRICE **\$1.00**

BOYS' SPORT SHIRTS Short, long sleeves. Solids, plaids and novelties. Sizes 4 to 18. ONE GROUP—Values to \$3.98—SALE PRICE **97c**

BOYS' & GIRLS' SWEATERS Wools, orlons and nylons. Slipover and cardigans. Values to \$3.98—SALE PRICE **\$1.97**

BOYS' JACKETS Twill, Leatherette, Wool, Quilt satin lined. Sizes 2 to 18. SALE PRICE **\$4.88 up**

BOYS' FLANNEL SHIRTS Plaid and prints. Up to size 18. Values to \$2.98—SALE PRICE **\$1.77**

GIRLS' PEDAL PUSHERS Corduroy, solid and prints. Tapered legs. Sizes 3 to 6X, 7 to 14. One Group—Vals. to \$5.98, SALE PRICE **\$1.88**

GIRLS' BOUFFANT SLIPS 100% nylon in full tiered styles. ONE GROUP—SALE PRICE **\$2.99**

Men's Sport Jackets and SPORT COATS Wools, Poplins and Rayons ONE GROUP Values to \$19.95 SALE PRICE **\$7.88**

MEN'S BETTER Sport & Dress Shirts Arrows, Van Heusen, Manhattan, Lancers and others. Short and long sleeves. ONE GROUP Values to \$6.95 SALE PRICE **\$1.88**

MEN'S SUITS Wools, silk and acetate. Broken sizes and colors. 36 to 48. Values to \$65.00 SALE PRICE **\$19.00**

MEN'S Stretch Sox Reg. \$1 **48c**

Boys' CORDUROY SLACKS Famous Make. Brown, Grey, Blue. \$5.95 Value **\$2.97**

Boys' - Girls' PAJAMAS Solid Colors and Prints. ONE GROUP SALE **\$1.98**

## Downtown Parking Zone Hits Snag

No recommendation was made on the proposed zoning of certain downtown lots for parking, after the Planning Commission debated the issue at length.

The commission asked, instead, that the city attorney submit his opinion on the matter.

The question is whether the city can restrict the use of privately owned lots without being prepared to purchase them for parking purposes at present.

The commission did adopt a motion made by Bill King which would allow property owners who had no objection to the parking zoning to have their property rezoned accordingly.

Protests on the proposed zoning were received from William Dralle, Pluma C. Whyte, David and Abe Mellinkoff, the State of California Dept. of Finance, George Binder, Oscar Levey, L. H. Brightman, and Morris Lavine. The California Bank indicated it had no objection to the plan.

The City Council will have to decide the issue.

## YOUTH HIT AFTER VISIT WITH SANTA

Charles Weeks, 5106 Carson street, was injured Monday evening, December 10, when he was struck by a car following a visit to Santaland.

The accident occurred at El Prado and Cravens streets and police listed Jim Carothers, 55, of 2255 West Carson, as driver of the vehicle.

Five-year-old, Charles was crossing the street with his two older sisters, Barbara, 10, and Lynne, 9, when he was hit. According to Mrs. Shirley Weeks, the boy's mother, she let them out of the family auto so they could visit Santa's workshop in El Prado park while she looked for a parking space.

The boy was taken to Harbor Medical center, Redondo Beach with a possible fractured foot, physicians told the mother.

## McMaster Christmas Party Set

A gala Christmas party will be held at McMaster park, Thursday, December 20, at 7 p.m. All families in the area are invited to attend and participate in the old fashioned Christmas and family sing.

"The Best Christmas Present," a short play presented by children of the playground, will be given that night. These young actors will also perform this play for the North Torrance Fuchsia Society at its Christmas party, December 11 and for the North Torrance Civic Association December 14.

Santa Claus has been asked to make an appearance and candy canes will be given to all comers. It promises to be an enjoyable evening for the entire family and everyone is invited.

McMaster park will be open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., on December 19, 20, 21. Saturday, December 22 the park will be open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. It will re-open December 26, 27 and 28 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, December 29.

### Ship Reunion

The Membership Committee of the USS Arizona Memorial Reunion announced that in addition to all former crew members, the mothers and widows of men who were lost at Pearl Harbor, are also invited to attend the first Memorial Reunion which will be held at the "Jack Kennedy Center," Naval Base, Terminal Island, Long Beach, California, on Saturday, March 2, 1957.

All eligible persons who are interested may contact G. G. Bertok at 12122 Robert Lane, Garden Grove, California.

## Hold Ceremonies At Rancho San Pedro Industrial Site

More than 300 leading industrialists, financiers and principal executives from many of Los Angeles county's most important business enterprises met Thursday, December 6 at the Rancho San Pedro industrial development

near Compton to participate in ceremonies marking the near completion of Susana Road, a major thoroughfare within the project.

The notable group later attended a reception at the Virginia Country Club in Long Beach where their hosts were officials of the Del Amo, Carson and Dominguez Estate companies, owners of the development.

Talks were made at the site starting at 2 p.m. by Burton W. Chace, county supervisor, and by three officials of the Estate companies whose holding comprise the 1300 acre site.

Speakers were introduced by C. N. Crawford, general manager of the Dominguez Estate company who served as master of ceremonies, and who stated that the Rancho San Pedro project has become known as a model industrial development due to its detailed planning and the control exercised over plant architecture, parking, signs, site maintenance and many technical details.

Also speaking was Thomas C. Cooper, secretary of the Carson Estate company and a great-grandson of Juan Jose Dominguez, to whom the original grant of 46,000 acres of land was made in 1784.

Cooper stated that a 50-acre site in the Rancho San Pedro has been acquired by the Kauffman-Wilson Construction company for the purpose of building 300 single-family dwellings. In addition to the housing development, plans are being

formulated for an 11-acre commercial center adjacent to the homes. These structures will be handled by the Rancho on a build-lease basis, Cooper stated.

Completion of the above additions will give Rancho San Pedro a balance seldom achieved in an industrial development in which jobs, shopping facilities and homes are contained within one compact pre-planned area according to a master blueprint, it was pointed out.

Cooper concluded his remarks by welcoming two of the most recent firms to start plants in the project, Westinghouse Electric corporation and the J. A. Folger company.

## Bank Buys School Bonds

Bank of America last week purchased \$2,750,000 worth of Torrance Unified School District bonds at a sale of securities before the Board of Supervisors, it was announced by Supervisor Burton W. Chace.

The bank offered an interest rate of 4 per cent with a premium of \$6,529. Payment of the premium will reduce the interest to a net of 3.97 per cent, Chace said.

Funds realized from the sale of the bonds according to Chace, will be used to finance the construction of a new high school on Pacific Coast Highway, one mile west of Hawthorne Blvd.

North High Girls League cabinet will sponsor its second annual winter formal "Star Dust and Snowflakes" tomorrow night in the cafeteria.

This is one of the two formal dances given each year, the other is the junior-senior prom. The Saxon dance band will provide the music for this event.

Class League Elections Nomination blanks have already been taken out for league and class officers. The elections will be held after vacation in January. Don't neglect your school duty by not voting.

Saxons In Tourney Due to the Saxons 49-29 victory over Chadwick they are now in the Paramount Tournament. The Saxons first this year was to Paramount. It looks like

**LORDS..** OPEN EVERY NIGHT UNTIL CHRISTMAS... **8801 So. VERMONT AVE.**